### TELECOMMUNICATOR TRAINING

### The Steps to Certification

### **Prerequisite to Training**

Students must complete NIMS 100 and NIMS 700 prior to applying for the Telecommunicator training class. NIMS training is free and available online. Certificates of Achievement for NIMS 100 and NIMS 700 must accompany the training application. Second, there is an online training piece with a quiz at the end that students must pass with an 80 or better prior to the first day of class. The link for this training is on our website, www.ct.gov/despp

### **Telecommunicator Training Program**

The Division of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications (DSET) offers a comprehensive training course free of charge. Contents of the program are listed below. Applicants to the class must be employed and sponsored by a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), and provide Certificates of Achievement for NIMS 100 and NIMS 700. Outside Telecommunicator training programs may be considered for approval by DSET. More information can be found at www.ct.gov/despp

### **Telecommunicator Certification Exam**

Students must pass the Telecommunicator exam administered by DSET. Admission to the exam is based on successful completion of a state-approved training program, or by qualifying years of experience or specialized training. More information can be found at www.ct.gov/despp

### **EMD Training**

Candidates must complete an Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) training class approved by the Division of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications (DSET). Section 28-25b(2) of the Connecticut General Statutes requires that all PSAPs provide EMD services. It is the employers' responsibility to provide this training. Proof of EMD certification must be sent to DSET as part of the Telecommunicator certification requirements. DSET will reimburse PSAPs for the cost of EMD training. For information on reimbursement, contact DSET at 860.685.8080.

### 911 Equipment Training

After successfully completing the Telecommunicator course, students must attend a separate, hands-on equipment class. There is no fee for the training. An in-house 911 training program provided by the employer may be acceptable. In this case, the *supervisor* must sign and submit verification to DSET.

### **Probationary Working Test Period**

The employer must establish a probationary working test period, and verify in writing to DSET that the student's probation has been successfully completed.

### For the Employer

### **Confirmation Packet**

A confirmation email with the class schedule and directions to the facility will be sent to each student with a copy to the employer.

### **Training Materials**

Students will receive the Training Manual in class on the first day.

### **The Application Form**

When submitting a training application, the employee date of hire, student email and employer email must be provided, and Certificates of Achievement for NIMS 100 and NIMS 700 must be attached. No incomplete applications will be accepted.

### The Registration

Any questions about the registration process or requirements call 860.685.8155.

### NIMS

Both NIMS 100 and NIMS 700 online classes can be accessed through our website at www.ct.gov/despp. Click on "Statewide Emergency Telecommunications" in the blue navigation column, then "Telecommunicator Training" and finally the "NIMS Online" link. The system will email a Certificate of Achievement to the student for each class; copies of which must be sent with this application.

### Training Schedule— 3 Days Total

### Topics to be covered:

- Broadcast techniques /TDD
- Communication Skills
- Multi-Tasking
- Liability Issues
- Customer Service
- Hazardous Materials for Public Safety Dispatchers Emergency
- Two-hour examination

**Notifications** 

# TELECOMMUNICATOR TRAINING REGISTRATION FORM

To: Division of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications

Fax Number: 860.685.8363

Number of Pages: 3, including NIMS 100 and NIMS 700 Certificates of Achievement

Comments:

Section 1-217 of the Connecticut General Statutes exempts the residential addresses of a number of occupational categories from release to the public under the Freedom of Information Act. Such categories include, but are not limited to, police officers, firefighters and employees of the Department of Correction. If you believe that your residential address is exempt under this law, please make a check mark in the box:

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Address:		(first 3 letters of last name—last 4 digits of social	4 digits of social
City:	State:	Zip:	
Home Phone:		Email (required):	

## Employer Information (to be completed by employer)

Signature:

Employer Name: Address:

Email *(required)*: Work Phone:

Zip:

State:

City:

Student Date of Hire as a Telecommunicator (required):

Supervisor's Signature:

Supervisor's Name:

Waiting lists will be maintained, and additional classes will be scheduled as needed. Call 860.685.8155 for details.

## Registration Information

Employers can register students for the Telecommunicator Training course by faxing this registration form and the student's NIMS 860.685.8363. All sections of the form must be 100 and 700 certificates to the Division of completed in order for the application to be pro-Emergency Telecommunications Statewide

Class size is limited to 20, and there must be a minimum of 10 students to hold a class. Registration deadline is two weeks prior to class start date. Register early.

### 2016 Training schedule

Please check the class you would like to attend

- January 12—January 14, 9 am—4 pm DESPP/HQ, Middletown
- February 23- February 25, 9 am-4 pm DESPP/HQ, Middletown
- April 5—April 7, 9 am—4 pm DESPP/HQ, Middletown
- May 17 May 19, 9 am-4 pm DESPP/HQ, Middletown
- June 21—June 23, 9 am—4 pm DESPP/HQ, Middletown
- August 16 August 18, 9 am—4 pm
  - DESPP/HQ, Middletown
- September 27—Sept 29, 9 am—4 pm DESPP/HQ, Middletown
- October 18—October 20, 9am—4 pm DESPP/HQ, Middletown
  - November 15-17, 9am-4pm
    - DESPP/HQ, Middletown